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# Minority students receive \$5k academic awards



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K-State alum and former basketball player Victor Ojeleye, now an employee of Koch Industries, speaks to a group of scholarship recipients at the sixth annual Project Impact Diversity Scholars Banquet on Wednesday night at the Colbert Hills Country Club.

Shelby Danielsen staff writer

Twenty students from the College of Engineering and the College of Business Administration were recognized for academic excellence and service to the community at the sixth annual Project Impact Diversity Scholars Ban-

quet at the Colbert Hills Country Club on Wednesday night.

Each scholarship is for \$5,000 and is renewable as long as the students maintain a minimum

GPA of 3.25.

"This is not a scholarship that will just affect you for today, but for a lifetime," said Victor Ojeleye, 2012 K-State graduate and ac-

countant for Koch Industries in Wichita.

Koch Industries, which is one of the largest privately held companies in the U.S., has partnered with K-State for the past six years in an attempt to increase the diversity of the student population, specifically in business and engineering.

lly in business and engineering. "Congratulations," Ojeleye said. "We are always here for you guys for help and support. This is a great time to acknowledge the importance of diversity. We are so proud and appreciative of all of you."

Ojeleye was a recipient of the Project Impact scholarship for

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# Local company partners with College of Business

Zach Foley

GTM Sportswear has set up product displays and a booth on the third floor of Calvin Hall this week to give away not only sunglasses, T-shirts and drink cozies, but also information on job opportunities and internships as part of the College of Business Administration's GTM Week.

GTM Sportswear is based in Manhattan and provides custom uniforms and warm-up and practice gear to colleges, elementary schools, high schools and club teams across the country. They also have stores in Lawrence and Topeka.

GTM created the semi-permanent cushion seating for K-State athletics in 1998 and has since patented the design and marketed it to over 80 universities

"We are trying to collaborate with the business school administration and raise awareness of GTM internships and jobs," said Kari Krier, executive assistant at GTM. "We have dozens of internships for the summer and job opportunities are endless. We are always hiring, not just in Manhattan, but all over the U.S."

tan, but all over the U.S. GTM is offering students opportunities this week as well as their expertise in business. Executives will be speaking in a total of 17 classes, including Human Resource Management, Business Foundations and Professional Selling, as well as addressing organizations like Business Ambasadors and the Society of Human Resource Management.

"This will be a great opportunity for student, faculty and industry interaction that will lead to an even closer relationship between GTM and the college," said Ali Malekzadeh, dean of the College of Business Administration.

Malekzadeh said Dave Dreiling, owner of GTM and K-State alum, and his company "offer great insight into the business world."



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**Jesse Marriott**, GTM employee and senior in life sciences at K-State, works on heat transfers, cutting out decals to put on jackets. GTM executives have set up an informational booth on the third floor of Calvin Hall.

A member of the class of 1989 with a degree in marketing, Dreiling is a member of the Dean's Business Advisory Council. He started GTM right after graduating, and in 1992 Dreiling was named Young Entrepreneur of the Year by the Small Business Administration for the states of Kansas and Missouri.

Originally GTM was called It's Greek To Me, a company that traveled around the Midwest in a van selling greek apparel to fraternities and sororities. The company started out with five employees — in addition to Dreiling, there was business partner David Barnes and three additional sales representatives.

Sales exceeded \$500,000 during the first year. Over the next few years, Dreiling began to buy out Barnes and

sales exceeded \$1 million. Recently annual sales have surpassed \$43 million with an annual growth rate of 25 percent. The company also employs nearly 900 people nationwide.

Dreiling was inspired to collaborate with the college after seeing Malekzadeh's commitment to educational experience through partnerships with local businesses.

"Business students are the key to the future growth and success of K-State and the Manhattan community," Dreiling said. "We want to show students what GTM is all about and why we're the right fit for internships and careers after college."

GTM Week gives students and faculty the opportunity to network with the corporation's employees and gain real life lessons. The corporation gets access to faculty for a chance to develop lasting relationships and learn about their ongoing research while students have the opportunity to network and attend recruitment events.

"We are determined to expand our relationship and interactions with our corporate partners; we have a lot to learn from each other," Malekzadeh said. "With GTM Week we are starting a model partnership that will benefit students, faculty and industry."

GTM will be in Calvin Hall's third floor lobby until Friday at 2 p.m. The company will also be offering tours of GTM's 160,000 square foot headquarters on Friday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. The week will end with a GTM-sponsored C. Clyde Jones Fun Run on the K-State campus on Saturday as part of K-State Family Day.

# Students look for ideal future employers

Jakki Thompson staff writer

As the All University Career Fair approaches, many students are preparing to put their best foot forward to display the qualifications future employers expect. At the same time, many students are considering what it is they look for in an employer.

"I make sure I want to do the job being asked of," said Kelsey Longpine, senior in political science and women's studies. "I always find a copy of mission and vision statements so I can understand the direction the company, business, whatever, is headed in."

While employers typically look for standard characteristics in employees such as ambition, dedication and experience in a related field, students have a wide variety of preferences regarding their ideal employer.

"Obviously I don't want a biased boss or one who doesn't believe or uphold equal employee opportunities," said Will Harmon, sophomore in English. "And I wouldn't just want to see them every other week. It would be nice if they'd check in with everyone, get their opinions, etc. Also, they need to love and/or care about their job. It shouldn't be just someone in it for the money or position of power."

Since the short-lived ordinance protecting lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender individuals from workplace discrimination was repealed in May 2011, employees in Manhattan can be fired if they identify as LGBT.

"I think the No. 1 thing I am going to look for in an employer is acceptance," said Caleb Kueser, senior in animal sciences and industry. "The most obvious form would be acceptance for LGBT individuals and their ability to recognize my partner as part of my family in regards to insurance and benefits".

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Students are also interested in employers' attitudes toward lifestyles considered different or alternative. Tattoos and piercings in the workplace can be a hot-button issue. Whether people are for or against sporting visible tattoos in the workplace, some students

have taken a stand.

"I would also want acceptance for what I choose to look like on any given day," Kueser said. "If I change my hair color, if I wear brightly colored clothes, but still look professional, if I end up getting a tattoo or decide to get another piercing, I want my boss to be able to accept those different traits. Just because I decide to live my life a different way doesn't mean that I don't know how to do my job."

Every individual expects something different from an employer, whether it's the mission of the company or the morals and values the company upholds. Researching a company or business will allow students to find an employer they feel comfortable with.

"I don't have [an employer] right now, but I would like for them to be not too stiff and not too lenient, if that makes sense," Harmon said. "They need at least one funny muscle in their body. Otherwise I'd probably get fired pretty quickly."



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**Edward** David Cleveland, of the 1300 block of Pillsbury Drive, was booked for driving

with a canceled, suspended or revoked license, unlawful possession of illegal substance and possession of drug paraphernalia. Bond was set

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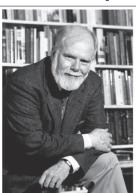
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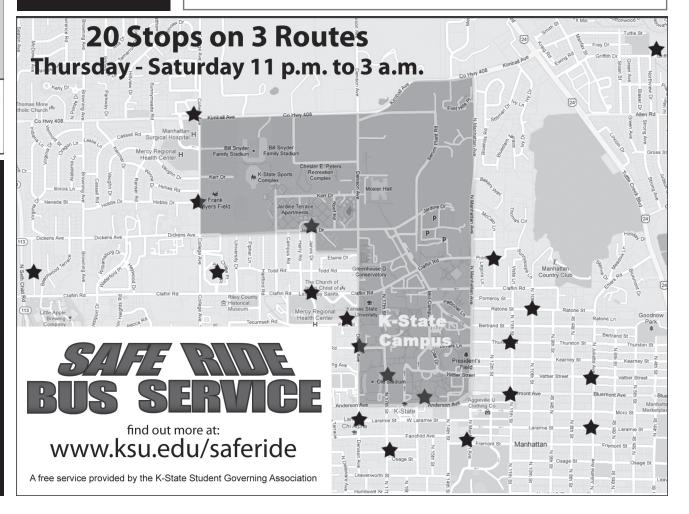
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# Undefeated volleyball team to face major threats

Mark Kern sports writer

After a 9-0 start, the No. 19 Wildcats will be tested in a big way as they travel to Tulsa, Okla., today to face the University of Tulsa, University of Dayton and University of Minnesota. Here is a look at the three teams the K-State volleyball team will be facing.

Tulsa (7-4)

The Golden Hurricane are led by senior libero Jessica Adams. Adams is a three-time All-Conference USA player and two-time American Volleyball Coaches Association All-American Honorable Mention player. Adams is an amazing defender who does a great job of digging out the other teams scoring opportunities. It is her job to slow down the attackers and make things tough on the offensive end.

The Hurricanes also have an upand-coming player in sophomore middle blocker Carly Boatwright.

In Tulsa's last match against Ball State, Boatwright finished the match with 14 points. Boatwright stands at 6-foot-1, and this height gives her the ability to play above the net

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and makes things tough on defenders. She also had four blocks in the match and is continuing to get better on the defensive end. If she is able to play to her potential, then Tulsa has a chance to pull an upset or two at their home tournament.

Minnesota (7-1) The Golden Gophers are ranked



Tommy Theis | Collegian

Senior middle blocker Alex Muff attacks the net against the Missouri State Bears. The Wildcats swept the Bears at Ahearn Field House on Sept. 6.

10th in the country, with their only loss being at No. 4 University of Texas, but they also have a win at Texas as they played a double header. Playing in the Big Ten Conference Minuscott is used to play ference, Minnesota is used to playing tough opponents, as the latest AVCA polls has three Big Ten teams in it. The Golden Gophers are led by

senior setter Mia Tabberson. Tabberson stands at 6-2, which creates a lot of problems for the defense. Her height allows her to control the pace and set her teammates, and she can use her height to hit the ball on her own. She has the ability to make defenders second-guess themselves, and put themselves in situations that create easy scoring opportunities for the Golden Gophers. When she does pass the ball, her favorite person to set for is junior middle blocker Tori Dixon.

Like Tabberson, Dixon has great height at 6 feet, 3 inches. She was an All-Big Ten selection last season in her sophomore year and is a potential All-American candidate this season. Besides her size, her athleticism separates her from a lot of the great hitters around the country. If Dixon is able to get rolling, she is capable of taking over this tournament all by herself.

Dayton (7-2)

Dayton, which was ranked 10th earlier in the season, appears to be back on track after a two-match losing streak. The Flyers are coming off a win over Tennessee Tech, where Dayton got an incredible performance from junior middle blocker Shayne Brown.

Brown finished the match with 11 points on 12 attempts, which is good for a .917 hitting percentage. This was a career high for Brown, and she gives the Flyers another offensive weapon. However, Dayton goes as senior setter Samantha Selsky goes.

Selsky, an AVCA All-American Honorable Mention player herself, had a huge year last year after the departure of former All-American setter Jessica Yanz. Yanz, unlike Tabberson and K-State's senior setter Caitlyn Donahue, does not look for her own offense as much as they do. Her main job on the floor is to get the ball to her teammates, which she is terrific at.

This is a tournament that is a great test for all four of these teams. They all made the NCAA tournament last year, and all have aspirations of achieving even greater things this season.

### Two-minute drill

Nicolas Wahl

A homosexual kiss may have cost one college football player his scholarship.

Jamie Kuntz, a freshman at North Dakota State College of Science in Wahpeton, N.D., was dismissed from the football team on Sept. 3 and saw his scholarship revoked after the he was seen kissing an older man during a NDSCS football game.

The kiss, later to be revealed as an embrace between Kuntz and his 65-year-old boyfriend, occurred in the press box during a Labor Day weekend home game.

The Associated Press obtained the letter of dismal on Sept. 11, reporting that Kuntz was dismissed from the team for "conduct deemed detrimental to the team," and, more specifically, lying.

Still, Kuntz, who later came forward to his coaches about his sexual orientation, doesn't believe the reason given for his dismissal is completely truthful. He told the AP that if it was a girl he had been kissing, nothing would have happened.

"Coach said if it was a girl up there, it would have been the same punishment," Kuntz said. "No, I would have been congratu-

The college basketball coaching world appears to be losing one of its best, as multiple media outlets are reporting that he has scheduled a press conference for today and will be replaced by assistant Kevin Ollie.

In his career, Calhoun won 873 games in 40 years, including three national titles at UConn. He won the titles in 1999, 2004 and 2009, behind the magical run of point guard Kemba Walker.

Before finishing his career at UConn, Calhoun coached at Northeastern for 14 years.

He leaves amidst a contro-

versy as UConn will not be able to participate in post-season tournaments in 2013 due to poor Academic Progress Rate score

Calhoun is three-time cancer survivor and has raised millions of dollars for the Pat and Jim Calhoun Cardiology Center at UConn Health Center.

A new chapter in the saga of head coach Billy Gillispie and the Texas Tech University men's basketball program has unfolded as the coach called 911 for the second time in less than two weeks Monday evening.

Gillispie first dialed emergency services on Aug. 31 — the same morning the coach was scheduled to meet with athletic director Kirby Hocutt to discuss allegations of mistreatment of players and over-allotment of practice time. Gillispie spent six days at University Medical Center in Lubbock, Texas.

The coach, who complained of symptoms indicative of panic or a heart attack, told the Associated Press on Tuesday morning that he would be treated for dangerously high blood pressure and various other problems.

Hocutt and the university have said that there is no definite timetable for the coaches return and have not definitively answered questions regarding whether or not Gillispie would even have a job waiting for him upon a healthy return.

NHL labor talks may be moving forward, as the NHL and NHL Players' Association exchanged proposals during a meeting in New York on Wednesday afternoon. While the sides both agree there is progress being made, it is doubtful that a deal will be reached before the weekend.

The two sides have agreed to continue talking until Saturday's lockout deadline in order to try and make a deal.

### **FOOTBALL**

## Notre Dame: time to stop living in the past



In the late 1980s and early 1990s, the Notre Dame Fighting Irish were one of the top football teams in the country year in and year out. In 1988, they won the national championship under the reign of coach Lou Holtz. They have produced such NFL greats as Paul Hornung, Joe Theismann, Joe Montana and 1987 Heisman trophy winner Tim Brown. Fifty of their coaches and players have been entered into the College Football Hall of Fame. However, there is a trend with all of these statistics. All of these stats were from at least two

decades ago. In the Fighting Irish's last 12 bowl games, they are 2-10. including an N record stretch of nine consecutive losses from 1994-2006. Two of those losses were in BCS games, where they lost to Ohio State and LSÚ by a combined score of 75-34.

Then there is Brady Quinn, who was supposed to be a great quarterback in the NFL, and finds himself on the bench for the Kansas City Chiefs, behind Matt Cassel. Since the end of the 2001

season, the Fighting Irish have gone through five head coaches, compared to KU, one of the worst teams in the country, which has only gone through three coaches. Since the start of the

2002 season, Notre Dame is 74-53, good for the 43rd best winning percentage in the country, right behind teams such as Houston, Nevada and Fresno State. These are mid-level college programs that are trying to build a

reputation.

So, what is my point? Notre Dame accepted a deal to go into the Atlantic Coast Conference in everything except football, because they still think that they are the football program they once were.

The fact is that Notre Dame is not the team they used to be, and this is due to the fact that we, the media, as well as fans, give them way too much credit. The ACC made a big mistake by allowing them to do this. If they want to be in the ACC they need to make the football program be in at as well. I think with teams like Florida State, Clemson and Virginia Tech, Notre Dame would struggle to be in the top three of the ACC, which is known as a basketball

conference. This is the not the 1980s, it is 2012, and Notre Dame has not won more than 10 games since the 2006 season. It's



courtesy photo Lou Holtz, former Notre Dame head coach from 1986-1996, took the Fighting Irish to the national champion-

ship in 1988 and won. Their record in their last 12 bowl games is now 2-10. Mark Kern is a senior in print

journalism. Please send comments to sports@kstatecolle-

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# Texting while walking can cause serious injury



The constant use of electronic devices is becoming the norm as technology becomes more accessible in U.S. society. Whether with a tablet, phone or laptop, Americans, especially college students, like to stay connected.

As we continue to become so technologically engrossed, those in my generation have started to think, for some reason, that they can multitask with these devices. Well, we can't. I can attest to that fact, and I am not an isolated incident

According to a July 31 Forbes article, "The phenomenon of texting while walking (TWW) has become more prevalent as our society has become dependent on and connected to smartphones and other hand-held devices for readily accessible information."

Anywhere you walk on K-State's campus, you will always see someone texting while walking; I am always one of those people.

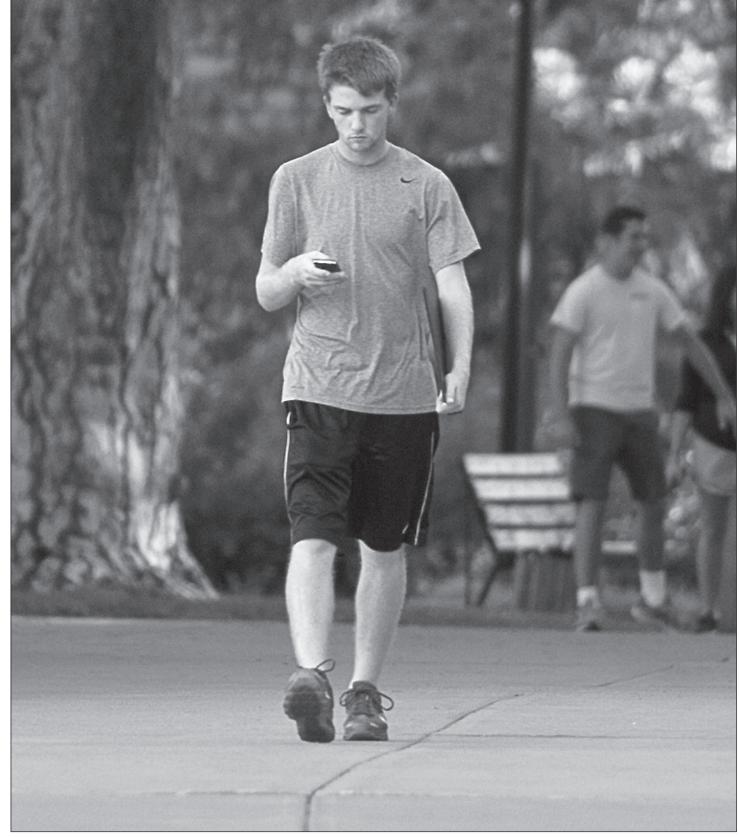
Spring semester of my freshman year of college, I was texting while walking and ended up with a serious injury. I had returned to my residence hall after covering an event with my camera and two other bags on my back. I was texting someone and I missed the first step down a flight of stairs. I landed on my wrist to protect my camera and other belongings.

I broke the metacarpal, which connects my thumb to my hand. Originally it was a mild fracture, but because I didn't go into the doctor's office right away and didn't wear the splint as instructed, it became broken. Then I got a not-so-sweet purple cast for four weeks. I was supposed to wear my splint again after I got my cast off, but I didn't. So, now, every time I turn my hand, other people can hear my bones grind against each other because they didn't heal correctly.

All of that happened because I was texting while walking. Most people just laugh at that story, and I tend to join them because it's ridiculous, but illustrates the point that texting while walking is becoming more and more common and, therefore, dangerous.

The Huffington Post cited a report from the Consumer Product Safety Commission in a July 30 article, which stated about 1,152 people went to the emergency room last year to be treated for injuries caused as a result of using cell phones or other electronic devices while walking. And those are

just the ones who admitted to it. Constantly using our phones may also be causing damage that does not result in broken bones.



Evert Nelson | Collegian

A student walks down the sidewalk on campus in front of Hale Library while texting on his phone Tuesday evening.

According to an article from the New York Daily News from Aug. 13, 2009, "The brains of kids who are brought up around constant and changing stimulants run the risk of becoming socially handicapped or developing high-functioning autistic tendencies, similar to Asperger's

syndrome."
Growing up in a technologically

advanced world is slowly becoming our downfall. People are becoming public nuisances and injuring themselves and others, and this should be a wake-up call for everyone.

Even though people my age think we can do it all, we can t. Multitasking is incredibly detrimental to ourselves, as well as the tasks we are doing. Texting while walking is just part of the problem.

just part of the problem.

When you are walking to or from class, just one day, look up from your phone and look at how many other people around you are not paying attention either. It is an amazing phenomenon that is just going to continue to get worse until we all acknowledge that this

is a problem. It may come with an injury to ourselves or in the form of a car accident, but texting while walking is a serious thing and should be viewed as such.

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# Student opinions on Manhattan's dating scene differ greatly

Kelly Iverson

Trying to find a boyfriend or girlfriend in Manhattan is like trying to find the perfect head of cattle on the auction block. At first glance, the seemingly endless population of men—according to the 2010 census, Riley County has significantly more men than women—appear to be well-bred, healthy and wholesome. Upon further examination the flaws of

For instance, at the stockyards a concern might be finding out that your cattle have blackleg or foot rot. However, in our campus context, the concerns are more along the lines of syphilis or gonorrhea. Another issue that might come up is the possibility of two farmers wanting the same animal. Regardless of all the risks, a farmer's got to eat, and the same goes for the single students on

the species become

more apparent.

So where are these single students supposed to explore their options? More specifically, where am I supposed to explore my options? Online dating websites are available, but I personally steer away from them. Bars are always a possibility; however, it is hard for those of us who are underage. Church functions are great places to meet guys. Another obvious alternative way to find singles are at parties in general.

Some of us are lucky enough to find "the one." Take, for example, Christine Rogers, senior in dietetics. She is currently madly in love with Will Shelton, senior in technology management. They have been dating for a year and eight months with no breaks. For those of you curious as to

where people meet, the couple met through a mutual friend in the residence halls. Shelton laughed and described themselves as "total friends."

They both agreed that they are not the typical college couple, as the

ability to make each other

to laugh about," Shelton said,

while laughing.
The future looks bright for

to eventually study abroad

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the happy couple, as they plan

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destinations would be New Zealand, where "The Lord of the Rings" trilogy and "The Hobbit" was filmed.

Unlike Frodo in "The Lord Of The Rings," my quest is not for a ring (unless it's an engagement ring, of course). It is, however, to find where the

normal, genuine, single men are in Manhattan. The quest seems difficult thus far, and I have yet to find ... my precious. FindRhett Jones, senior in hotel and restaurant management, I realized how lucky I am. Being a gay student on campus and finding a potential boyfriend sounds like finding a needle in a haystack after talking to Jones. He described how the dating scene used to be better when the bar PJ's Pub was still around. It had frequent gay nights and even had 18 and up

nights to bring singles together.
It does not help that Jones
keeps himself extremely busy.
He works at Lafene Health
Center and Wal-Mart,
serves as the president
of SHAPE and as an
officer of the Delta Chi

limited," Jones said. He said he is also very picky and is typically the one to call off the relationship. He said he does not think it

He said he does not think it is a dating scene issue but that many gay men find the town itself an obstacle. He said that their fear stems from the fact that it is an agriculture and military school and that it might not be accepting. Jones thinks differently.

but is not necessarily looking

breaker said that he is excited

in psychology and criminol-

ogy, is very particular when it

comes to men. However, none

Megan Herren, sophomore

for a boyfriend. The heart-

to graduate and hopefully

relocate to Florida.

even

a full-time

student. That

gives him little time

to search and snag a

The dating pool here is

boyfriend.

of the men on campus stand a chance with her for the time being. She explained that she is too focused on her relationship with God to even think about the possibility of having a boyfriend.

At this point in her life, going on a first date is fine. However, she is just not in that time of her life where starting a relationship would benefit her. Herren stays close with the men in her life who could potentially be suitors later on, but she has no intention

but she has no intention to start dating any time soon. When gener-

alizing the male population, Herren is not too positive. "I think there's a lot of great guys, but as a whole the men at K-state are into parties and girls in the sense of hooking up with them. I don't think that many college guys are actually interested in dating," Herren said. The cattle at an auction are mostly meant to be bred and expand a

herd. As for the breeding part, I am not looking to reproduce any time soon. However, meeting new people and expanding my friend group is OK with me. I think I like the idea of being in a relationship more than actually being in one.

From everyone I have talked to, single or not, the dating scene seems pretty limited. From what I have heard, good things come to those who wait. So, in the meantime, I'll just sit tight and see what happens.

Kelly Iverson is a sophomore in journalism and mass communications. Please send comments to edge@kstatecollegian.com.



# AWARD | 'Took a weight off'

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three years while at K-State.

Andrante Etheridge, recruiter for Koch Industries, said that Project Impact is a program that was created to help minority students excel in college. According to Etheridge, the College of Engineering was added to the scholarship this year.

'[The scholarship] is based on their academic involvement, extracurricular activities and leadership," Etheridge said. "It helps students with tutoring and any support they may need on campus. It's just Koch's way of giving to the program and helping the students.

Faculty members from both colleges selected scholarship recipients after an indepth application process that factored in academic achievement, campus and community involvement and financial need.

Speakers at the event included Koch Industries' staff and K-State faculty members. Students who were selected as honorable mentions were also invited to attend the ban-

Myra Gordon, associate provost for the office of diversity, helped to establish the program with the support of several companies. Koch Industries is just one of many sponsors of Project Impact.

Mark Soucie, chief financial officer of Koch

Fertilizer, spoke about the history of the program and Koch's involvement in the foundation of the scholarship.

"We are very, very pleased with the relationship and the partnership we've created with K-State," Soucie said. "This is your opportunity to pay it forward and make this an

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> Mark Soucie **CFO** of Koch Fertilizer

amazing year with this scholarship."

Katie Cortis, junior in architectural engineering and scholarship recipient, said the financial award has played a huge role in helping her pay for her education.

"Applying for this scholarship, I knew it would be great to get it, and then once I received the letter I was just so excited," Cortis said. "It just took a huge weight off my shoul-



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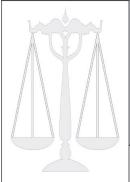
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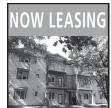
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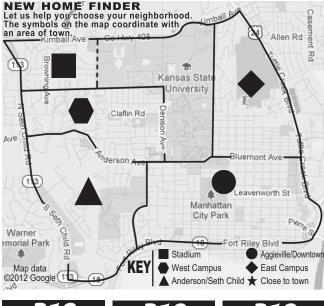
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# Online map of Wildcat Creek prepares residents for floods

Manhattan residents now have access to a new flood warning system online.

Over the last year, the city of Manhattan teamed up with state and federal officials to create a new flood warning system with localized flood maps available online, according to an Aug. 31 post on the city's website. The committee in charge has been meeting monthly since the flood of June 2011 that caused many residents to have to evacuate their homes.

"We have had two events of flooding in recent years [in Manhattan], one in June of 2010 and one last June," said Chad Omitt, warning coordination meteorologist with the National Weather Service. "These events caused property loss to the west side of the city."

These floods prompted the action of the committee, but Omitt said flooding is not the norm and the committee does not expect regular floods.

The committee's work will be summarized in a floodplain management plan," said Brian Rast, senior planner and senior project manager in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. "The plan promotes a better understanding of the flood hazards, decisions made on flood risk management, public participation and provides a formal action plan on what will be done next and when." The new flood plan was created with

disasters. "One goal of the project was to help communities become more weatherready," said Lynn Maximuk, director of the

the hope that members of the community

will be better prepared for possible flood

National Weather Service's central region. A flood, however, may not be an immediate danger due to the lower-than-average rainfall this year. Omitt said that the lack of rain has qualified Manhattan as being under a severe drought that will not be remedied until 6 to 8 inches of rain fall.

Flooding is still a long-term concern be-

cause the city of Manhattan is located on a floodplain where the Kansas and Big Blue rivers meet. The new maps, however, focus on another body of water in Manhattan — Wildcat Creek.

As a part of the program to bring these maps to the public, three new flood gauges were placed on Wildcat Creek. These locations are at Scenic Drive, Seth Child Road and near Keats, Kan., located five miles west of Manhattan. These gauges will help researchers use the amount of water that falls to create a timeline that forecasts how high the river will get and when.

"When the Topeka National Weather Service issues forecasts for the Wildcat Creek area ... residents and emergency responders will be able to open the map and see what those stages mean to them," Maximuk said.

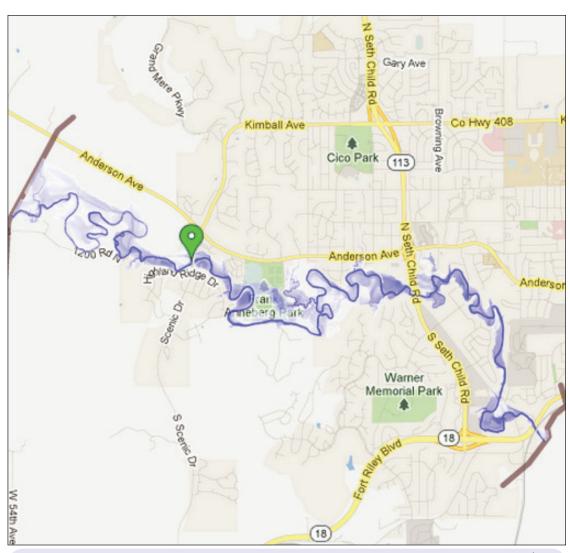
With flood maps online, people will be able to gauge for themselves the risk of floods in the area.

"One of the great things [about the maps] is when you go to the website you are able to see what is forecast to flood and how much it will flood," Omitt said. "It is a powerful cue to the people. They can see what the height of the river means.

These maps will not only help the general public but also the Riley County Police and Fire departments, according to Chad Bunger, planner for the city's community development board.

"[They] are now able to better plan for flood events," Bunger said. "Using the map library, they are able to determine foot by foot of flooding, which areas of town will be impacted, what properties will most likely need to be evacuated and which streets need to be closed."

The interactive map showing Wildcat Creek and the water level at any point along the creek is available at water.weather.gov/ ahps2/inundation/inundation\_google. php?g\_datatype=depth&wfo=top&gage= mwck1. The link and information are also available on the city of Manhattan website at ci.manhattan.ks.us/index.aspx?NID=2009.



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With the addition of water gauges to Wildcat Creek, shown here, Manhattan residents can now check this interactive map to find out the current water level in the creek and to estimate the local risk of flooding. The map is maintained by the National Weather Service, and the link is available at ci.manhattan.ks.us/index.aspx?NID=2009.

